VI. NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

Actual participation records are available only for users of the swimming pool and those who rent Voigt Center. Residents must sign in at the pool during regular hours with the lifeguard/pool manager upon each visit. The Swim Team uses the pool during May, June and July before the pool opens. One or two swim meets are hosted each June at the pool. Use of Voigt Center is gauged by reservations and key checkout. It is used 40 times per year by the Scouts, weekly by the Bridge Club, nine times per year by the Home Owners Association, eight times per year by the Women's Club and 16 times per year by each of two private groups. Additionally three to four parties per month are held in Voigt Center. Total usage is approximately 130 to 140 times per year. The rental fee is \$60 for two to four hours. In addition, Hollywood Park residents are known for enjoying walking along streets of the town, but no actual numbers or frequency of walking by participants is available. Therefore there are no reliable estimates of demand for parks and recreation services. Instead, demand is inferred from responses to the survey questionnaire.

Given the age distribution of Hollywood Park residents, it is anticipated that the design capacity will typically exceed anticipated demand. This has been the case since a small group of homeowners combined their resources to build the community pool more than three decades ago. However, it is expected that the trails will have a higher participation rate than all other facilities combined. Based on observation and survey responses, this appears to be the primary missing piece of the recreation puzzle in Hollywood Park. The trails will be used by residents of all ages at any daylight hour and some twilight hours.

Needs assessment is based primarily on the distribution of parks and the physical layout of the Town for proposed new parks as well as the trail system.

Standards-based needs assessment was also used to establish standards for Hollywood Park facilities and park areas. Standards/Goals adopted by the Parks and Recreation Committee are shown on Table 6.

Resources of Hollywood Park include drainageways that function as open space and have the capability of providing natural corridors for the community walking trail system. No other resources have been identified.

Description of needs assessment and identification, both outdoor needs and indoor needs.

- <u>Parkland needs</u>. Since there is not much available land in Hollywood Park, there is a need to acquire vacant lots to accommodate the need for additional parkland. Additional land is needed as follows:
 - Pocket Parks. Minimum of 1/2 acre and up to 2 acres from available vacant lots, the Committee anticipates acquisition of up to 3 total acres.
 - Neighborhood Park. One particular lot at 244 Mecca Drive is needed to develop a second neighborhood park across the street from the ball field. If this is accomplished, an estimated 0.34-acre can be gained by quitclaiming the El Cerrito street right-of-way.

- <u>Facility needs</u>. Existing facilities need upgrading as well as new facility needs at the
 pocket parks and second neighborhood park. Pocket park facilities will typically include
 picnic table, outdoor game table, cooking grill, playground equipment for pre-schoolers
 at pocket park #1 and park benches at others.
- Open space needs are met by the city-owned drainageways that together total 27 acres.
- <u>Trails needs</u>. A community walking trail system is proposed to cover 8.1 miles with 4 different types of surfaces and preparation. Following is a description of the proposed trail system:

PROPOSED COMMUNITY WALKING TRAIL SYSTEM

Four types of walking trails are proposed for the community walking trail system:

- Drainageway Trails (1.4 miles): To be constructed of asphalt or concrete approximately 4 feet in width along the higher limits of the drainageways, typically on the flatter side. A lighting system consisting of either 3' high outdoor lights spaced at 50-foot intervals or ground level lights spaced at appropriate intervals is recommended. Emergency telephones should be placed at selected locations between the streets.
- Uncurbed Street Trails (3.5 miles): To be constructed of asphalt or concrete approximately 4 feet in width in the right of way and with a 4' to 8' buffer between the existing street pavement and the trail in the area of uncurbed streets (south of Donella). A consistent barrier should be provided to keep vehicles off the trails. No additional lighting is required.
- Curbed Street Trails (2.7 miles): To be 4" painted white stripes defining a trail width of approximately 6 feet along one side of existing streets with curbs (north of Donella). The trail should have pedestrian symbols painted periodically within its width. It is recommended that parking be discouraged on the side of the street that includes the trail. No additional lighting is required.
- Sidewalk Trails (0.5 mile): 4' concrete sidewalk to be constructed with a minimum of 2' buffer from the curb along Voigt from Loop 1604 to Donella. Instead of adjacent to the curb, the sidewalk can be constructed away from the curb. Access ramps for the handicapped will be required at each curbed street crossing. An option is to substitute a concrete sidewalk with curb for the asphalt trail along the north side of Donella from the drainageway bridge to U.S. Hwy 281. This would provide a safer trail along the heavily traveled Donella Drive.

The Committee proposes the following phasing and schedule for completion:

After Mini Loop A is completed in year 1, the remainder of the trail system is divided into segments of approximately equal cost and can be accomplished in the next 4 years. The additional increments of the trail system will connect to existing segments, enlarging the system in an orderly and logical manner. The Loops described below are shown on Map 6 and listed on Table 9.

Year 1: Mini Loop A (2,450 linear feet, approximately 0.5 mile)

- 400 linear ft of Drainageway Trail on the west side of the drainageway north of Donella;
- 650 linear ft of Uncurbed Street Trail along the north side of Donella; and
- 1400 linear ft of *Curbed Street Trail* along the east side of Mustang and south side of Rua de Matta.

Year 2: Loops A and G (12,930 linear feet, approximately 2.4 miles)

- 2200 linear ft of *Drainageway Trail* on the west side of the drainageway from Mini Loop A to Sagecrest and connecting to Mustang;
- 2910 linear ft of *Uncurbed Street Trail* along the north side of Donella from Voigt to the west end of Mini Loop A;
- 4850 linear ft of *Curbed Street Trail* along Sagecrest from the western fork of the drainageway to Voigt, along Sterling Browning from Sagecrest to Donella; and
- 2650 linear ft of Sidewalk Trail along Voigt from Loop 1604 to Donella.

Year 3: Loops B and E (10,780 linear feet, approximately 2.0 miles)

- 1700 linear ft of *Drainageway Trail* along the eastern fork of the drainageway from the existing trail (Loop A) to Yosemite and including connections to Tiger Tail and Tall Oak;
- 6030 linear ft of *Uncurbed Street Trail*, along Donella from the eastern end of Mini Loop
 A to the access road of Hwy 281, along El Cerrito from Donella to Fleetwood, along
 Fleetwood from Meadowbrook to Hipath, along Hipath from Fleetwood to
 Meadowbrook, along Meadowbrook from Hipath to Donella; and
- 3050 linear ft of *Curbed Street Trail* along Yosemite from eastern fork of drainageway to Wm Classen, along Wm Classen from Yosemite to Donella.

Year 4: Loops C and F (10,090 linear feet, approximately 1.9 miles)

- 1180 linear ft of *Drainageway Trail* along the eastern fork of the drainageway from Yosemite to Ridge Trail;
- 6860 linear ft of *Uncurbed Street Trail* along Fleetwood from Hipath to Ventura, along Ventura from Fleetwood to Havenhurst, along Havenhurst from Ventura to El Portal, along El Portal to Meadowbrook and along Meadowbrook from El Portal to Voigt Dr.; and
- 2050 linear ft of *Curbed Street Trail* on El Portal from Meadowbrook to Voigt Park and on Sagecrest from the western fork of the drainageway to the eastern fork of the drainageway.

Year 5: Loop D (6,870 linear feet, approximately 1.3 miles)

- 1700 linear ft of *Drainageway Trail* along the eastern side of the drainageway from Donella to Mecca, not including the existing trail in the Gardens of Hollywood Park; and
- 5170 linear ft of *Uncurbed Street Trail* along Sunway from Mecca to El Cerrito, along El Cerrito from Sunway to Fleetwood, along Coolway from Sunway to the southern city limit of Hollywood Park.